

May 22, 2018

Easton Town Planning Board

Burton Hall 1071 State Route 40 Greenwich, NY 12834

May 22nd, 2018 7:00 PM

Present: Stevens, Brand, Finan, Steffen
Rec. Sec. Skiff
Absent: Boyce, Sievers, Taylor
Others:

Resolution Summary

2944 Accept the May 8th 2018 meeting minutes
2945 Motion to Adjourn

The regular meeting of the Easton Town Planning Board was called to order at 7:08 P.M. The minutes of May 8th, 2018 were discussed. Finan wondered if the terminology of the ending statement that the minutes are “a true and correct copy” should be adjusted or omitted because of the possible liability it places on PB Clerk Skiff. Skiff said that when the signing of the minutes was first questioned, she contacted the New York Planning Federation which said that there is no legal statement requiring the meeting minutes to be signed and that they had never heard of such a thing. They also stated that the minutes are certified as legal when the PB votes to approve them. Skiff also mentioned that the Town Board Clerk does not sign the Board's minutes and that she would be happy if the PB adjusted their by-laws to omit the requirement. After discussing the matter, Ch. Stevens said he would like the opinions of the absent members before proceeding with changing the by-laws. The matter will be put on the agenda for the June meeting. Motion by Finan to accept the May 8th, 2018 meeting minutes, 2nd by Steffen, all in favor, carried, resolution 2944.

Mobile Home Law Meeting

The Town Board held an informational meeting about the Mobile Home Law on Monday, May 14, 2018. Planning Board members Stevens and Taylor attended. Building Inspector Laverne Davis, Asst. Insp. Jim Merryman and a few town residents were also in attendance. The technology of how mobile homes, now called manufactured homes, are built has changed since the law was written and the Board is seeking input on how to bring the laws into compliance. A discussion about whether or not a change to the Mobile Home Law was needed brought no conclusion. The Board decided to research the laws of neighboring towns before addressing the issue further.

National Grid Easement

The PB reviewed the documents that were sent to the residents of Easton who lost some of their property to the new, larger lines that National Grid recently installed. New updated maps have been filed at the county for the easement. After discussion about whether the maps would be considered as a legal change and that the tax assessors would adjust the tax maps accordingly, the PB was satisfied with the paperwork provided.

Motion to adjourn at 7:55 P.M. by Brand, 2nd by Finan, all in favor, carried, resolution 2945.

I, Michelle Skiff, Clerk of Town of Easton Planning Board, do certify that these minutes are a true and correct copy of May 22, 2017 meeting.